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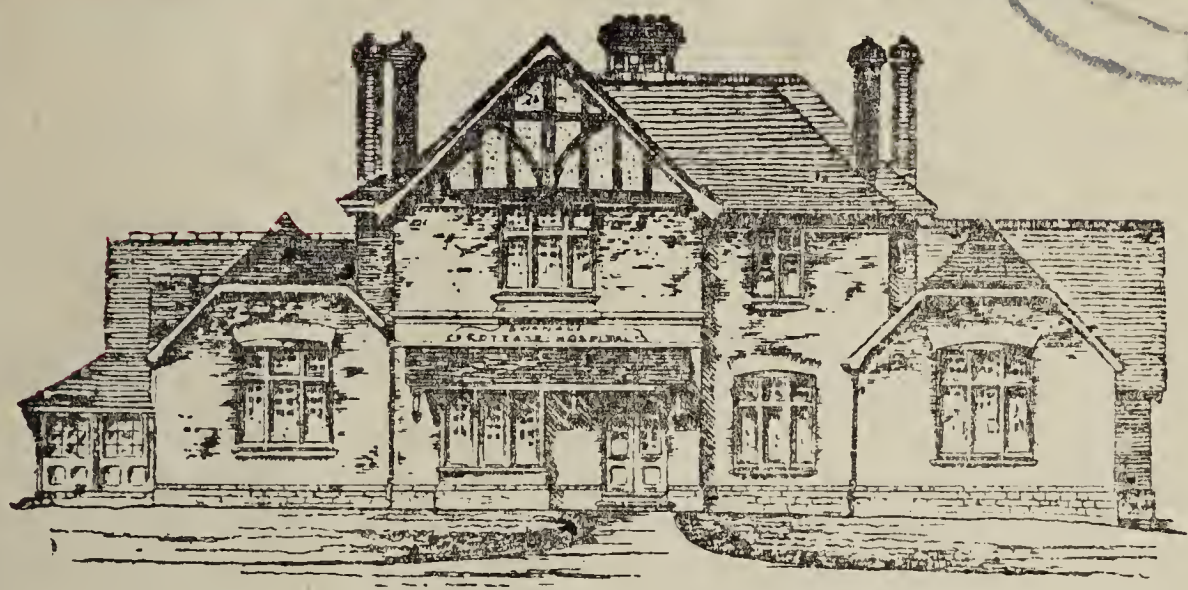

SWANAGE COTTAGE HOSPITAL.

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REPORT

AND

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER, 1947.

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(**Appointed 1947*)

Swanage Cottage Hospital.

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1947.

DESPITE the difficulties all hospitals have had to face—financial stringency and shortage of nurses and domestic staff—the Cottage Hospital made great strides in 1947 and greatly increased its usefulness to the community.

In July the new X-Ray Department was opened at a cost of some £900, of which some £450 came from the Mrs. Mattison and Dr. Rees Memorial Funds. During the six months from July to December, 1947, 147 X-Ray photographs were taken and many cases were dealt with locally which formerly would have gone to Poole or Bournemouth.

The hospital increased its activities in other directions also. The admissions in 1947 were nearly double those in 1946, 215 as compared with 138. The number of out patients also increased from 510 in 1946 to 660 in 1947. Out - Patients attendances amounted to 1479. Fifteen major and 69 minor operations were carried out in the Operating Theatre and 244 patients attended Eye Clinics.

During 1947 the Commlttee lost the services of Colonel C. J. Blaikie and Mr. H. R. Dawe through their removal from the district. We miss Colonel Blaikie's help on X-Ray matters while Mr. Dawe was an excellent liason officer with the Hospital Aid Association. Mrs. Cowie also resigned from the Committee in 1947 owing to ill health.

The Committee has been fortunate in securing the services of Sir Theodore Tasker, C.I.E., O.B.E., and Mr. J. S. Barber.

Captain F. V. L. Redman, M.C., resigned the office of Honorary Treasurer last April owing to pressure of business. We are greatly indebted to him for looking after our finances since 1936. He kept them on an even keel when we had to rely on our resources and we realise since he left how much we owe him. Some difficulty was experienced in finding a successor, but eventually the Committee were fortunate enough to secure the services of Mr. P. Knowles.

We are very grateful to the Bournemouth and Poole Surgeons and Specialists who devote so much of their valuable time to the Hospital, thus enabling us to deal with cases which would otherwise have to go away.

Our thanks are also due to the Honorary Medical Staff for their unremitting service.

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In view of the coming changes, it is especially gratifying to note that subscriptions and donations have increased slightly. We are particularly grateful to the British Legion and others who organised concerts and a variety show for the benefit of the Hospital. Another good friend is Captain Balls who once more organised a Hospital Ball which produced £103.

Thanks are also due to Toc H who during the past year have unobtrusively, but very cheerfully, done all sorts of odd jobs round the Hospital. Cheerful service seems their watchword.

The Clergy have also earned our thanks for their help in the way of Church collections and their many visits to patients.

Matron desires to express warm appreciation of the splendid and loyal support given during the last year—firstly to the Nursing and Domestic Staff and, particularly, to the Red Cross Nurses, Mrs. Hurd and Miss Mills, who have done so much to make this year a historic one and a year to which we can look back with pride.

She is also most grateful for the good wishes and practical support of the public. This has been most stimulating in these difficult times.

Although this is a Report for 1947, the fact that this is the last which will be presented by the present Committee before the state takes over in July is sufficient excuse for referring to two important events which occurred in 1948.

The first is the lamentable death of the Rev. Canon J. H. Jaques, M.A., who had been Chairman of the Committee since 1930. His kindly presence is much missed by the members of the Committee and the Hospital Staff.

At the unanimous request of the Committee, the undersigned undertook to be Chairman of the Hospital during the difficult times through which we are passing until the Hospital is officially taken over by the State under the powers of recent legislation.

The second event is the acquisition by the County Council of the house "Everest" to fill the urgent need of a Maternity Home in Swanage. The original scheme was to erect a prefabricated hut in the Hospital grounds, but when "Everest" came on the market, your Committee strongly urged its purchase. This proposal did not at first meet with the approval of the Treasury, but your Committee persisted and the objections raised were eventually overcome.

The house was handed over on January 22nd and the first baby arrived in April. When one considers the difficulties of staffing and equipping, this may be claimed as something of an achievement. The house is now almost fully staffed and equipped and bookings are brisk. Unfortunately bookings will have to be curtailed so that alterations required by the Ministry can be carried out.

After fifty-eight years of service the Hospital passes to the State on July 5th and the Hospital Committee will cease to exist. Control will pass to a Management Committee located at Bournemouth. It will be unnecessary to make gifts to hospitals for general maintainance as this will be paid for by the State. But just as the State provision for the Fighting Services does not cover all the needs of the men in these services (demonstrated for example by the existence of comforts and benevolent funds) so it is certain that the individual hospital in the Hospital Service will have needs not covered by the State. Parliament, recognising this need, has required the Act to provide that any gift made to a particular hospital after July 5th will go to the benefit of that hospital and no other. With this report you will have received a pamphlet which deals with the matter of "Personal support for for Hospitals" in greater detail.

Another way in which hospitals can be helped after July 5th is by the formation of a Hospital Association, League of Friends, or other independent body which would have complete control of the funds it raised. The advantage of such a scheme are:

(i) The active interest and support of the Hospital's erstwhile subscribers and other friends can be perpetuated.

(ii) It enables them to have their own independent existence after the appointed day and provides a field for the recruitment of fresh supporters.

(iii) It provides a body of persons who can assist the new Management Committee by taking an active interest in the hospital's affairs.

(iv) It provides the supporters with a more direct interest than would be possible if they had no choice but to offer their individual gifts direct to the new Hospital Management Committee.

(v) At the same time it enables the League or Society to select the purposes for which its gifts are to be given to the hospital; and so encourage friendly consultations and relations between those who support the hospital and those who manage it.

My special thanks are due to Major Greene, the energetic and untiring Secretary of the Hospital, for the information contained in this Report.

The members of your Committee confidently hope, as they lay down their duties of office, that our Swanage Cottage Hospital under its efficient Matron, will continue to serve our local community as well in the future as it has tried to do in the past.

H. V. NICOLL-GRIFFITH,
Chairman.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Income.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	(1946)
ORDINARY.			
I. Voluntary Gifts.			
Annual Subscriptions (*see page 14*) ...	275 8 2		*262*
Donations (*see page 14*)	102 10 0		*88*
Boxes (*see page 16*)	38 7 6		*74*
Church Collections (*see page 15*) ...	79 11 1		*56*
Collections, Entertainments, and Special Contributions (*see page 15*) ...	513 14 9		*406*
		1009 11 6	— *886*
II. Services Rendered.			
Patients, General Wards	275 3 6		*224*
Hospitals Aid Association	384 3 6		*382*
Private Wards	519 7 0		*153*
Dental and Minor Operations, etc. ...	163 8 7		*10*
Out Patients' Box	28 10 9		*20*
		1370 13 4	— *789*
III. Invested Property.			
Interest, Dividends, etc.	149 17 5		*189*
Transfer from "Poor Children's Fund"	22 15 3		*14*
		172 12 8	— *203*
IV. State Grant towards increased Rates of Salaries		441 14 3	*310*
Total Ordinary Income.		2994 11 9	*2188*
Balance, excess of Ordinary Expenditure over Ordinary Income for the year		530 1 1	*73*
		£3524 12 10	*2261*
EXTRAORDINARY.			
Legacy			*50*
Balance, excess of Total Expenditure over Total Income for the Year		782 15 10	*523*
		£782 15 10	*£573*

for the year ended 31st December, 1947.

Expenditure.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	(1946)
ORDINARY.			
I. Provisions (Patients and Staff).			
Meat and Fish	94 12 5		86
Milk and Eggs	80 15 10		49
Bread and Confectionery	51 2 5		22
Groceries	186 8 10		140
Fruit and Vegetables	52 2 3		17
		465 1 9	— 314
II. Surgery and Dispensary.			
Drugs, Chemicals, Dressings, Bandages, Instruments, etc.		371 6 8	— 144
III. Domestic.			
Renewal and Repair of Furniture and Equipment, and Cleaning Materials ...	158 13 3½		93
Laundry	120 3 11		66
Gas	116 2 11		57
Electricity	30 9 8		34
Fuel	221 1 3		86
Nurses Uniforms	24 6 7		5
		670 17 7½	— 341
IV. Salaries and Wages.			
Nursing and Domestic Staff ...	1740 12 5		1259
X Ray Fees	2 3 6		8
		1742 15 11	—1267
V. and VI. Miscellaneous and Administration.			
Printing, Stationery and Newspapers	31 18 6		31
Advertising	4 9 6		9
Insurance	15 8 1		15
Garden	11 0		4
Postages, Carriage and Telephone ...	38 2 3½		27
Sundry Expenses	8 9 0		5
Cheque Books	1 0 0		1
Audit	5 5 0		3
Travelling Expenses	2 5 6		8
X Ray Films, etc.	42 16 6		-
		150 5 4½	— 103
VII. Establishment.			
Repairs to Property		95 4 0	68
VIII. Finance.			
Rates	24 0 0		23
Bank Interest	5 1 6		1
		29 1 6	— 24
Total Ordinary Expenditure		3524 12 10	2261
Balance ... ... b/d		£530 1 1	£73
EXTRAORDINARY.			
(*Annuity, late Matron*)			500
Purchase of Anaesthetic Apparatus	157 10 0		
New Refrigerator	94 10 0		
		252 0 0	
Transfer to Parish Bed Fund ...		14 9	
		£782 15 10	£573

BALANCE SHEET as at December 31st, 1947.

Liabilities.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	(1946) £
General Fund.			
Balance, as at 31st December, 1946 ...	3666 19 8		*4190*
Less Deficit as shown in Income and Expenditure Account	782 15 10		*523*
	2884 3 10		
Add profit on Sale War Loan	162 19 4		
		3047 3 2	*3667*
Overdraft at Bank ...		224 12 2	
Sundry Creditors		273 7 10	*135*
Subscription received in advance			*1*
		3545 3 2	*3803*
Building and Equipment Funds.			
As at 31st December, 1946	292 16 1		
Interest ...	16 10		
Loan General Fund ...	595 0 0		

Assets.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	(1946) £
General Fund.				
Cash at Bank:				
Current Account ...			- - -	*81*
Deposit Account ...			142 4 2	*143*
Matron's Petty Cash and Wages Advance			58 13 6	
Amounts due to Hospital for 1947 ...		393 5 9		
State Grant towards Salaries (estimated)		398 14 3		
			792 0 0	*767*
Loan to Enlargement Fund			595 0 0	
Rates Prepaid ...			6 0 0	*5*
Investments:	*Nominal*	*Cost*		
3½% War Loan	400 0 0	342 5 0		
3½% Conversion Loan ...	1271 1 7	890 0 0		
Great Western Railway 4%	500 0 0	569 0 6		
3% Defence Bonds	150 0 0	150 0 0		
			1951 5 6	*2807*
			3545 3 2	*3803*
Building and Equipment Funds.				
Land, Building and Equipment of the Hospital ...		*(not valued)*		
Purchase X-Ray Equipment		676 16 0		

				924	10	4	*293*
Parish Bed Fund.							
As at 31st December, 1946	184	5	7				
Profit on redemption Local Loans ...	4	19	8				
Transfer from General Fund		14	9				
				190	0	0	*184*
"His Children's Gift."							
As at 31st December, 1946	809	18	4				
Interest received ...		14	5				
Dividends received ...	22	2	6				
Less :	832	15	3				
Transfer to General Fund	22	15	3				
				810	0	0	*810*
Ex-Service Men's Bed.							
As at December, 1946 ...	1266	7	9				
Profit on redemption from 3% Local Loans ...	215	15	8				
				1482	3	5	*1266*
				£6951	16	11	*£6356*

							924	10	4	*293*
Parish Bed Fund.										
Investment :	*Nominal*									
2½% Defence Bonds	190	0	0				190	0	0	*184*
"His Children's Gift."										
Investments	*Nominal*			*Cost*						
3½% War Stock	200	0	0	198	16	0				
3% Guaranteed Stock	504	3	4	485	18	10				
Cash at Bank on Deposit A/c				125	5	2				
							810	0	0	*810*
Ex-Service Men's Bed.										
Investments :	*Nominal*			*Cost*						
3½% War Loan	637	6	3	582	3	5				
2½% Defence Bonds	900	0	0	900	0	0				
							1482	3	5	*1266*
							£6951	16	11	*£6356*

I have examined the books and vouchers relating to the foregoing Statement of Accounts and have received all the information and explanations I have required. I have verified the Investments.

In my opinion the Accounts show a true and correct view of the state of the affairs of the Hospital.

(Signed) R H. CANN.
Certified Accountant.
Hon. Auditor.

Swanage.
5th, June, 1948.

Subscriptions are considered to be due on the 1st January in each year, and it will greatly facilitate the official work of the Hospital if Subscribers will kindly forward them as early in the year as possible.

SUBSCRIPTIONS & DONATIONS, 1947.

★ *Subscriptions under Deed of Covenant.*

	Subscriptions £	s.	d.	Donations £	s.	d.
Adams, Capt. J. C.		10	6			
Anderson, Brig-General S. M., D.S.O. ...	2	2	0			
Andrews, Hedley	1	1	0			
Anon.				5	0	0
Anon.				1	1	0
Arnell, Miss		2	6			
Arnold, Mrs. J. B.	5	0	0			
Arnold, Thomas	1	1	0			
Baird, Malcolm	10	0	0			
Baiss, Mrs.	1	1	0			
Bald, Col, P. R.	2	2	0			
Bankes, Miss C. H.	1	2	0			
Bankes, Elizabeth				1	1	0
Bankes' Football Charity Cup ...				10	0	0
Bankes, H. J. R.	2	2	0			
Barnard, Mrs.	2	2	0			
Barnett, William	1	1	0			
Bartlett, Miss M. B.		10	0			
Barton, Mrs.	1	1	0			
Beavis, H. W.	1	1	0			
Beddall, Mrs.	2	0	0			
Bell, Miss H.		12	0			
Bevan, Miss C. C.		10	0			
Blaikie, Col. and Mrs. C. J.	1	1	0			
Bloomer, H. H.	1	1	0			
Bond, J. W. G.	1	1	0			
Boots (The Chemists) Ltd.	2	2	0			
Boulton, Mrs. M. F.	1	1	0			
Boulton, S/Ldr. and Mrs. R. H. ...	3	3	0			
Brady, Miss M.	1	1	0			
Brown, Miss E. R.	1	0	0			
Brown, Mrs. Gilpin	1	1	0			
Burt, Stewart	1	1	0			
Burt, Miss Winifred	1	1	0			
Buttanshaw, Mr. and Mrs.	1	1	0			
Cann, R. H.	2	2	0			

	Subscriptions £	s.	d.	Donations £	s.	d.
Cassell, R. W.	1	1	0			
Chadwick, Rev. R. M.	*9	10	10			
Charlton, R. A.	1	1	0			
Coryton, Lady				5	0	0
Cowie, Mrs.	*5	14	6			
Cox, O. W.		10	6			
Davies, Mr. and Mrs. D. Lloyd ...				2	2	0
Day, James, J.P., ...	1	1	0			
Day, Tom		10	0			
Dean, Alfred E.	*1	18	2			
Deans, C. J.	1	1	0			
Deverill, P. J.				1	1	0
Dorsett, Miss Irene				2	2	0
Dutton, Mrs. T. E.	1	1	0			
Dymond, Miss, O.B.E., J.P.	1	1	0			
Edmonds, Eric		5	0			
Ellen, Mr. and Mrs. E. C.	*19	1	8			
Elliott, C. Lee	2	2	0			
Evans, Miss M. D.	1	1	0			
Exchange Telegraph Co., Ltd. ...	10	10	0			
Ferrier, Dr.	1	0	0			
Finch, Miss E. M.	*1	18	2			
Foster, Miss K. E.	2	2	0			
Francis, Mrs.				3	0	0
Frisby, Jos. Ltd.		10	6			
Frome, Mrs.	1	1	0			
Gay, Mrs.	*1	15	4			
George, Miss				1	1	0
Gibbon, W. Monk		10	0			
Gilbert, A. D.	*1	18	2			
Gilbert, Miss	*1	18	2			
Ginks, Mrs.		2	6			
Glencross, Miss	2	2	0			
Godson, Rev. E. A.	2	2	0			
Goldie, Mrs.		10	6			
Greene, Mrs. J.	1	1	0			
Grosse, Mrs. (Stoborough)					10	0
Hardy, T. M.	1	11	6			
Harris, Mrs. (Langton)				2	5	0
Hart, John H.					10	6
Hastings, Commander C.	*1	18	2			
Heath, Mrs.				1	1	0
Hemingway, Mr.				4	12	0
Highcliffe Hotel	1	1	0			
Hodge, The Misses O'Bryen	5	0	0			
Holder, Mrs. D. P.	1	1	0			
Holiday Fellowship Association ...				2	5	0

	Subscriptions. £	s.	d.	Donations. £	s.	d.
Holt, Exors. of Miss E. R.				5	5	0
Homer, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. W. ...	*1	18	2			
Hooke, The Misses	1	1	0			
Hooke, Mrs.				1	0	0
Horan, Rev. F. S.	1	1	0			
Horlock, Mr. and Mrs. W.	1	1	0			
International Tea Co. Stores, Ltd. ...	2	2	0			
Jaques, Rev. Canon and Mrs.	*9	10	10			
de Jersey, Mrs.	2	2	0			
Jouenne, Mademoiselle				1	0	0
Jowitt, Mrs.		10	0			
Kelly, Mrs. E. M.	1	1	0			
Kennett, Dr. and Mrs. A. W.	2	2	0			
Kindersley, Mrs.	1	1	0			
Knight, Miss A. B.	1	1	0			
Lane, Mrs.				2	2	0
Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Durrad				2	2	0
Lewes, Commander, A. P. M.	2	0	0			
Lewis, G. E.				1	0	0
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. B.	1	1	0			
Lloyds Bank Limited	1	11	6			
Lockyer, Miss A., J.P.	1	1	0	1	0	0
Luckham, Miss T.	1	1	0			
Mackray, W. N.	3	3	0			
Matthews, Mr.				1	1	0
Mayson, Mr. and Mrs.	*1	18	2			
Metcalfe, Miss		10	0			
Metcalfe-Smith, Mrs.	3	3	0			
Mills, Miss					10	0
Ministry of Health				1	1	0
Morgan, Mrs. Raymond				1	1	0
Moullin, Mrs.		10	0			
Moutrie, Mrs.	1	1	0			
National Provincial Bank, Ltd. ...	1	1	0			
Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. L. J.		12	6			
Nicoll-Griffith, Rev. H. V.	1	0	0			
"Old Harry"	2	2	0			
Page, Howard				1	0	0
Parker, W. S.	1	10	0			
Parkstone and Bournemouth Co-Op. Scty.	1	1	0			
Parsons, H. H.	2	2	0			
Parsons, Mrs. M. C.	1	0	0			
Patterson, Mrs. V.					12	6
Paull, Mrs.				1	0	0
Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. E. L.	1	1	0			
Pegg, Mrs. J. W.	1	0	0			
Percy, W. R.	2	2	0			
Pond, Jefferson				2	2	0

	Subscriptions £	s.	d.	Donations £	s.	d.
Provincial Grand Chapter				5	17	6
Purchase, Montague	5	0	0			
Purdie, Sister	1	1	0			
Purkis, Miss	1	1	0			
Redman, Capt. F. V. L.	*1	18	2			
Rees, Mrs. W. A.	1	0	0			
Rees, Miss		5	0			
Rees, Miss H.		5	0			
Reid, Mrs. R. N. H.	1	1	0			
Rendall, Rev. S. H.	1	0	0			
Robson & Son (Bournemouth) Ltd. ...	2	12	6			
Roffey, S.	1	1	0			
Rose, Mrs. Alvan	*1	16	4			
Russell, Mrs. A. J.	*4	0	2			
Ryder, Mrs. V. M.	2	2	0			
Sargeant, E. J.	2	2	0			
Savage, Mrs.		10	0			
Scott, The Hon. Sir Ernest S. K.C.M.G., M.V.O.	*4	0	2			
Scott, Lady	2	2	0			
Scott, Rev. and Mrs. M. de B. ...	*1	18	2			
Selbinger, Mrs.					14	0
Senior, Mrs. H. F.		10	0			
Senior, Miss		10	0			
Shelston, Mrs.				1	0	0
Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. W.	1	1	0			
Shrubsole, Mrs.	1	1	0			
Smith, J. H.	2	2	0			
Smith, Miss Sidney		10	0			
Spence, Mrs.	1	1	0			
Stock, Miss C. M.		5	0			
Stone, T. E.		10	6			
Strange, Commander J. R. S. ...	2	2	0			
Strong & Co., of Romsey Ltd.... ...	2	2	0			
Swanage Bon Bon Ltd.	1	1	0			
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IS IT NEEDED?

WHAT FORM SHOULD IT TAKE?

1.—Present supporters of hospitals are asking whether their help will be needed (and if so, in what form) after the 5th July next—the "appointed day" when the National Health Service comes into operation. . Hospital Managements in their turn are seeking guidance of the British Hospitals Association.

It is generally known that in the National Health Service the hospitals will be transferred to the Crown, and the full maintenance costs of the hospitals will be met from the Exchequer. Does this mean that all those who in the past by gift of money or service have interested themselves in the work of hospitals and their patients should say to themselves next July: "The State has taken over: there is nothing more for us to do" ?

2.—The National Health Service Acts lay on the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State for Scotland the duty of providing a hospital service which is comprehensive: that is, a service which is available to all, and whose purpose is to meet in full the needs of those who use it. It is therefore clear that hospitals, which in the past have relied so much on voluntary financial support for their day to day maintenance, will no longer be dependent on it in that way. It has however been made equally clear that there will still be need in the hospital service for local interest, local initiative and local support; and that those generous helpers who have in the past done so much to meet human needs, to foster interest and to stimulate progress in our hospitals will continue to find in them a field in which very valuable service can be rendered to the community.

3.—Until actual experience has been gained of the operation of the new service it is not possible to forecast precisely or exhaustively the kinds of voluntary help that will be most needed. But it is possible to give a general indication of ways in which interest and support will obviously be helpful and welcome. These may take the form of personal service or of financial help.

PERSONAL SERVICE

In Hospital Management

4.—The hospitals in the new service will be administered not from the centre but by local committees of management* composed of public-spirited men and women giving voluntary service. This is the first and most obviously necessary form of personal service—to take part in the running of the hospitals, whether as a member of a committee of management* of a hospital or group, or of a House Committee of a hospital within a group. In this way local knowledge and experience can contribute to the management of the new service no less than in the past, and the channel is still provided through which local people generally can take a personal interest in the hospital's affairs. It will still be of the greatest advantage to the hospitals, and to those actually charged with their management, if there is a large body of persons taking an interest in the work of each hospital, thus providing a stimulus to greater efficiency and a source of help in promoting the welfare of patients and staff.

In Hospital Work

5.—Particularly at the present time when shortages of staff are acute, there will be ample scope for voluntary service in helping to carry out some of the work of the hospital itself. Examples may be

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* The term "committee of management" is used throughout to include: in England and Wales, the Boards of Governors of teaching hospitals and Hospital Management Committees of other hospitals; and in Scotland, the Boards of Management of either teaching or other hospitals.

found in the work of the Ladies' Linen Guilds in the care and maintenance of linen; or in the running of hospital libraries, or hospital canteens. No form of voluntary support could be more beneficial than to give time and energy to practical tasks of this nature. As Mr. John Edwards, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, has recently said: "I can see no diminution in the multifarious activities which are now undertaken by voluntary workers. It is vital that the spirit of voluntary work should be kept alive and that thereby the hospitals, which are now your hospitals, should remain your hospitals in the future."

In Welfare of Patients

6.—The patient in hospital will need just the same personal interest and sympathetic care under the new service as at the present time; and there will be many ways in which his physical and mental well-being can best be promoted by voluntary effort. The visiting of patients—particularly those who have no friends or relations in the immediate neighbourhood—and bringing them into touch with other contacts from the outside world, suggest themselves as fields in which there is considerable room for continued service. In other familiar ways the patient's stay in hospital can be cheered and progress encouraged by personal help.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

7.—Although the full maintenance costs of the hospitals will be a public charge, provision has been expressly made by the National Health Service Acts for the new committees of management of hospitals to enjoy the use of "free monies" to be spent as they think fit on hospital purposes. The hospitals will have at their disposal income* from past endowments and they will be able to receive and hold future voluntary gifts.

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* In the Act for England and Wales there is some differentiation between teaching and other hospitals; the Scottish Act also differs to some extent from the English Act.

None of these gifts (including annual subscriptions and donations) will be transferable to the State, nor used to meet the cost of the hospital's maintenance.* On the contrary, committees of management will be free to apply them (subject to any express wish of the donor) in providing additional amenities for patients or staff, in undertaking experimental work of various kinds, or in supplementing in other appropriate ways the resources of the service.

It will be of the greatest benefit to committees of management, to patients and to staff alike if each hospital has at its disposal funds which can be used at discretion to meet the infinite variety of special circumstances and peculiar needs, which are bound to arise and which may not be easily or appropriately met through the expenditure of public funds.

Gifts to Individual Hospitals

8.—It may not be generally appreciated that, under the new administrative arrangements where hospitals may be grouped together for management purposes, it will still be possible for those who cherish an intimate association with a particular hospital to ensure that their financial support goes to benefit that hospital and no other.

Gifts or legacies *may* be accompanied by an express wish for their application for particular purposes or at individual hospitals, and in that case the committees of management receiving the gifts will hold them in trust and apply them accordingly. In this way there will be every encouragement to maintain close ties with the individual hospital, and to continue to support it.

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* Where subscriptions or donations are made *after* the appointed day by Deed of Covenant for 7 years, with the Hospital Management Committee (or, in the case of a teaching hospital, with the Board of Governors; or, in the case of a Scottish hospital, with the Board of Management), the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1918 as adjusted by subsequent Finance Acts affecting covenanted subscriptions will continue to apply, i.e. the hospital Committee/Board will be able to claim refund of Income Tax. The reason is that although the hospitals as such will be State Institutions, the new Committees or Boards, by virtue of the N.H.S. Act 1946, are constituted Trustees with legal corporate entity and are empowered to receive, hold and administer charitable gifts in accordance with Section 59 of the English Act (Section 58 of the Scottish Act).

From the Viewpoint of the Patient

9.—The first and most obvious object to which funds can be devoted is the promotion of the welfare of the patient. Though in a hospital everything is ultimately directed to the welfare of the individual patient, there are some things which are intimate and personal to the patient in his daily life in the hospital, with particular reference to his physical and mental comfort. Many such amenities, at one time regarded as "extras" or luxuries which were not strictly essential to the well-being of the patient, are now looked upon as necessary factors in his effective treatment, and as such will be provided as an essential part of the hospital service. There will however be additional comforts and amenities which the hospital for one reason or another is not in a position to provide from its budget, and which can be provided for by gifts of money. By the use of their "free" funds committees of management will be able to experiment and to develop new welfare activities, and thus constantly to assist in raising the standards of hospital care.

From the Viewpoint of the Staff

10.—A great proportion of the staff of any hospital is necessarily resident. A corporate community life has many advantages; but it has also defects, many of which can be remedied.

In this respect the requirements of different hospitals will vary very considerably, and the scope for public support and interest is perhaps widest in the case of the isolated hospital. The encouragement of clubs and facilities for recreation in the hospitals is a common need, and there is much that can be done from outside the hospitals to ensure that nursing and other resident staffs are not cut off from the rest of the community, but maintain social and cultural contacts with the life of their district.

From the Viewpoint of Research

11.—To many, research means the laboratory and scientific study of the problems of specific diseases like cancer or rheumatism. Hospital committees of management will be able to use their "free"

funds in promoting medical research of all kinds; but the field of experiment in hospitals is by no means exclusively medical, and there will be scope for new work also in every sphere of hospital administration. The existence of "free monies" is an essential element in ensuring the exercise of individual initiative in research projects, and in reaching out for progress along new lines. It will, for example, be possible to apply them in seeking new solutions to problems of departmental organisation such as catering services, testing new forms of records or new methods of filing and analysis, and in promoting in every way the continuous increase in knowledge of the most effective practice of the different branches of hospital management.

CONCLUSION

12.—These notes are issued after consultation with the Ministry of Health and the Department of Health for Scotland and will, it is hoped, prove sufficiently indicative to enable the governing bodies of teaching hospitals and all other hospitals to explain the position as it will be to their present supporters and so retain their interest and goodwill in the future when the National Health Service comes into operation.

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